## REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application. Claims 1-43, 46, 50, and 54-69 are canceled without prejudice. Claims 44, 45, 47-49, and 51-53 are pending in this application.

## Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 44, 45, 47-49, and 51-53 stand allowed.

## 35 U.S.C. § 103

As part of this response, the claims rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 have been canceled without prejudice. These cancellations have been made in order to expedite issuance of the allowed claims. These cancellations have not been made to overcome, and should not be interpreted as having been made to overcome, the rejections of these claims under 35 U.S.C. §103. Applicant reserves the right to pursue these claims in one or more continuation applications.

Applicant respectfully requests that the §103 rejections be withdrawn.

## Conclusion

Claims 44, 45, 47-49, and 51-53 are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and issuance of the subject application. Should any matter in this case remain unresolved, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests a telephone conference with the Examiner to resolve any such outstanding matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

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